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Dear Mr. Craven:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your June 11, 2018 request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the VA Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection (OAWP) which was for:

"...All email communications between officials at the Independence Funding including "Shoe Bob" Bobby Carey, the Chief Advocacy Officer and the following VA officials: Casin SZpero, Darin Selnick, Curt Cashour, David Shulkin, Scott Blackburn, Thomas Bowman, Peter O'Riourke, Brooks Tucker and Johnathan Ulyot between 1/20/2017-present. (Date Range for Record Search: From 1/20/2017 To 6/11/2018)"

Your FOIA request was received in the Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection (OAWP) on June 11, 2018, and was assigned the request number indicated above. Please include this request number in all future communications concerning this FOIA request. Based on the information you provided, we have identified you as an "News Media" FOIA Requester. In addition, we have placed your request in the "simple" processing category.

The Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection (OAWP) will search for records responsive to your FOIA request gathered or created by OAWP, on or before June 10, 2018.

If you have any questions about this letter you may contact me by phone at (202) 718-7335, or by email at oawpfoiarequests@va.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Johnson", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Jake Johnson

OAWP FOIA Officer